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SUBJECT: NICARAGUAN FM SANTOS LETTER TO A/S SHANNON REQUESTING MEETING AT UNGA

- $\P1$ . (SBU) This is an ACTION REQUEST. Please see para 4 for ACTION.
- 12. (U) On September 3, we received a letter from the Foreign Ministry (MINREX) requesting a meeting for Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Samuel Santos with Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Thomas A. Shannon on the margins of UNGA. The text of the unofficial translation is in para 3 below.
- 13. (U) BEGIN TEXT OF UNOFFICIAL ENGLISH TRANLATION

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nicaragua - Office for North America, presents its compliments to the Honorable United States Embassy, and makes reference to the 63rd Session of the United Nations General Assembly, scheduled to take place on September 16 to 20 of this year.

On this point, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs informs to the Honorable Embassy that the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Comrade Samuel Santos Lopez, would like to meet with the Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs Thomas Shannon on the margins of the United Nations General Assembly, to discuss issues of bilateral interest.

In this context, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nicaragua - Office for North America, requests the assistance of the Embassy to convey this request to the authorities of its country; at the same time, the Ministry avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Honorable United States Embassy the assurance of its highest consideration.

Managua, 02 September 2008

To the Honorable United States Embassy Managua

END TEXT OF UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION

14. (SBU) ACTION REQUEST. Post requests Department instructions regarding how to respond to this meeting request.

CALLAHAN